

**CHAP. 322.**—An Act To amend and reenact sections 20, 22, and 50 of the Act of March 2, 1917, entitled "An Act to provide a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes."

June 7, 1924.

[S. 2573.]

[Public, No. 244.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the first paragraph of section 20 of the Act entitled "An Act to provide a civil government for Porto Rico, and for other purposes," approved March 2, 1917, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Porto Rico.  
Civil government  
provisions.

"SEC. 20. That there shall be appointed by the President an auditor, at an annual salary of \$6,000 for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, who shall examine, audit, and settle all accounts pertaining to the revenues and receipts, from whatever source, of the Government of Porto Rico and of the municipal governments of Porto Rico, including public trust funds and funds derived from bond issues; and audit, in accordance with law and administrative regulations, all expenditures of funds or property pertaining to or held in trust by the Government of Porto Rico or the municipalities or dependencies thereof. He shall perform a like duty with respect to all government branches."

Auditor.  
Appointment and  
salary.  
Vol. 39, p. 957, amend-  
ed.  
Direction of, over all  
financial accounts.

SEC. 2. That section 22 of the said Act be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Executive secretary.  
Vol. 39, p. 958, amend-  
ed.  
Appointment by the  
governor.  
Salary, and specified  
duties.

"SEC. 22. That there shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate of Porto Rico, an executive secretary at an annual salary of \$5,000, who shall record and preserve the minutes and proceedings of the public service commission hereinafter provided for and the laws enacted by the legislature and all acts and proceedings of the governor, and promulgate all proclamations and orders of the governor and all laws enacted by the legislature, and until otherwise provided by the legislature of Porto Rico perform all the duties of secretary of Porto Rico as now provided by law, except as otherwise specified in this Act, and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Governor of Porto Rico. In the event of a vacancy in the office, or the absence, illness, or temporary disqualification of such officer, the governor shall designate some officer or employee of the government to discharge the functions of said office during such vacancy, absence, illness, or temporary disqualification."

Temporary vacan-  
cies.

SEC. 3. That section 50 of the said Act be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Vol. 39, p. 967, amend-  
ed.

"SEC. 50. That, except as in this Act otherwise provided, the salaries of all the officials of Porto Rico not appointed by the President, including deputies, assistants, and other help, shall be such and be so paid out of the revenues of Porto Rico as shall from time to time be determined by the Legislature of Porto Rico and approved by the governor; and if the legislature shall fail to make an appropriation for such salaries, the salaries theretofore fixed shall be paid without the necessity of further appropriations therefor. The salaries of all officers and all expenses of the offices of the various officials of Porto Rico appointed as herein provided by the President shall also be paid out of the revenues of Porto Rico on warrant of the auditor, countersigned by the governor. The annual salaries of the following named officials appointed by the President and also those appointed by the Governor of Porto Rico so to be paid shall be: The governor, \$10,000; in addition thereto he shall be entitled to the occupancy of the buildings heretofore used by the chief executive of Porto Rico, with the furniture and effects therein, free of rental; heads of executive departments, \$6,000; chief justice of the Supreme Court, \$7,500; associate justice of the Supreme Court, \$6,500.

Official salaries.  
Payment from insu-  
lar revenues, as deter-  
mined by legislature.

Of Presidential ap-  
pointees.

Salaries designated.

Premium on security bonds.

"Where any officer whose salary is fixed by this Act is required to give a bond, the premium thereof shall be paid from the insular treasury."

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[S. 2694.]

[Public, No. 245.]

**CHAP. 323.**—An Act To enable the trustees of Howard University to develop an athletic field and gymnasium project, and for other purposes.

Howard University,  
D. C.  
Acquisition of designated lands for athletic field, etc., by, authorized.  
Description.  
Ande, p. 430.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That for the purpose of developing an athletic field and gymnasium project, the trustees of the Howard University are hereby authorized to acquire by gift, purchase, condemnation or otherwise so much of square 3059, formerly block 6, Howard University Subdivision as the university does not already own, also forty-five thousand square feet of land, being that portion of square 3057, formerly block 7, Howard University Subdivision, which lies south of the fifteen foot alley running east and west in said square, also known as the east three hundred feet front on Euclid Street: *Provided*, That no special appropriation of funds of the United States shall be made for this purpose and that no liability on the part of the United States shall be involved in said acquisition.

*Proviso.*  
No Government funds or liability incurred.

Streets and alleys closed.

**SEC. 2.** That those portions of Fairmont and Girard Streets lying within the area to be acquired and between the said area and the present grounds of Howard University, together with all alley space not subject to the terms of the Code of Laws for the District of Columbia, shall and are hereby declared to be closed and abandoned as public ways and shall be subject to acquisition under section 1 hereof.

Portion of McMillan Park reconveyed to University trustees.

**SEC. 3.** That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized and directed to reconvey to the trustees of the Howard University a triangular plot of land now included in McMillan Park and situated between Fairmont Street, Fifth Street and the McMillan Park Reservoir at the price per foot formerly paid to the said University by the United States for the said property, subject to such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War.

Payment for, etc.

Restriction on closing streets.

*Proviso.*  
Subject to securing title.

**SEC. 4.** That no street shall be closed until all of the property abutting on the portion to be closed shall have been acquired by the trustees of Howard University: *Provided*, That no street shall be closed until the trustees of Howard University shall have secured the necessary title to, and shall have dedicated to the District of Columbia, the land necessary to provide the following streets, to wit:

Land to be dedicated to District for street extensions.

An extension of Sixth Street, with a width of fifty feet, north for one hundred and ninety-four feet from its present terminus at Girard Street; also a street, with a width of forty-four feet, from the terminus of Sixth Street as above extended eastwardly to Fifth Street: *Provided further*, That an easement in the areas of the streets hereby closed shall remain in the District of Columbia for all except highway purposes, and that no structures shall be erected thereon except with the permission of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

Easements retained.

No structures except with permission of Commissioners.

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June 7, 1924.  
[S. 2699.]

[Public, No. 246.]

**CHAP. 324.**—An Act To amend an Act creating the Custer State Park Game Sanctuary in the State of South Dakota.

Custer State Park Game Sanctuary, S. Dak.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That upon recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture the area designated as